

OUTDOOR EDUCATION PROGRAM IMPLEMENTED

Mr. Douglas Potvin, Director of Loyola's Evening Division and Summer School, is pleased to announce the implementation of an Outdoor Education Program. Outdoor Education is concerned with that segment of man's natural environment which might be termed biophysical: air, water, land, and living things. It is a study of ecology, in particular, man's dependence on his natural environment and the interrelationships within it.

The Loyola Outdoor Education Program represents a first at the University level in the Province of Quebec. The need for a University outdoor education program was mandated by the rapid growth of the new discipline at the elementary and secondary schools in Quebec. This growth, in turn, necessitated University training for a vast number of instructors teaching outdoor education classes.

Loyola's Outdoor Education Program was researched and developed by Dr. E.F. Enos of the West End College in consultation with Dean K. G. Stodefalte of Penn State University and executives of the Council of Outdoor Education of Quebec.

Dr. Enos, who is gaining a reputation as one of Canada's leading innovators in the field of physical education, concluded from his research that outdoor education methods are superior to the traditional approach in many teaching situations. This is based on the fact that there are many things about the natural environment which are learned best in direct contact with that environment. Such learning, he believes, makes the deepest impact and endures the longest.

The first course of study in Loyola's Outdoor Education Program is Bio-P.E. 470 Scientific Foundations of Outdoor Education. This course will commence at 9:30 A.M., Saturday, Sept. 29th, in room A-403 at Loyola College. The classes will be conducted on 13 selected Saturdays from 9:30 - 3:30 P.M. (Sept. 29, Oct. 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10, Dec. 1, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, 16, March 9, 16, 23). Plans are for Loyola's Lacolle Centre and other outdoor education sites in the vicinity of Montreal to be utilized for classes.

To teach Scientific Foundations of Outdoor Education, Loyola has been successful in recruiting Dr. Ernest Coons, one of the foremost experts in the field of outdoor education. Dr. Coons brings to Loyola a distinguished record of accomplishment in outdoor education including being Project Director last year for the United States Federal Government study investigating new modes and methods of outdoor education. For the past 12 years he also has been an outdoor education consultant to the New York State Education Dept. and numerous elementary and secondary schools in eastern United States and Canada.

Teachers, other professionals, and students with advanced academic standing desiring to enroll for Bio-P.E. 470 should register at Loyola's Evening Division, 7270 Sherbrooke St. W., Montreal, P.Q., Tel.: 482-8703, Monday - Thursday 9 A.M. - 9 P.M., Friday 9 A.M. - 5 P.M. before Sept. 26th. Those desiring more information before registering are advised to consult Prof. Wm. Fielding of the Dept. of Bio-Physical Education, Tel.: office, 489-7284, home, 453-4379.

Bio-P.E. 470 SCIENTIFIC FOUNDATIONS OF OUTDOOR EDUCATION. Full Course. The course examines outdoor recreational facilities and other outdoor settings as an extension of the school. Their utilization is studied in terms of providing direct laboratory experiences in identifying and resolving real-life problems; for acquiring recreational and fitness skills, for building concepts and developing a concern about man and his natural environment. The areas of health, physical education, and recreation are used as the core of an interdisciplinary study of the outdoors. Subject to review are principles and techniques of: health education including the effects of pollution on man, the importance of outdoor education in maintaining fitness of mind and body; physical education and recreation including outdoor fitness activities; environmental science including conservation, the ecology of a woodland, pond and bog, study of plants and animals in their natural relationships, water resources, problems of erosion; rock and tree identification; and environmental pollution problems.

Tuition: \$100

Bio-P.E. 570 OUTDOOR EDUCATION IN THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CURRICULUM

Tuition \$125, June 3 - 22, 1974. Mon. - Fri. 6 - 10 P.M., Sat. 10 - 5 P.M.

Bio-P.E. 670 OUTDOOR EDUCATION IN THE SECONDARY SCHOOL CURRICULUM

Tuition \$125, 1974 - 75 Winter Term, Sept - March, 13 selected Saturdays, 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.

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